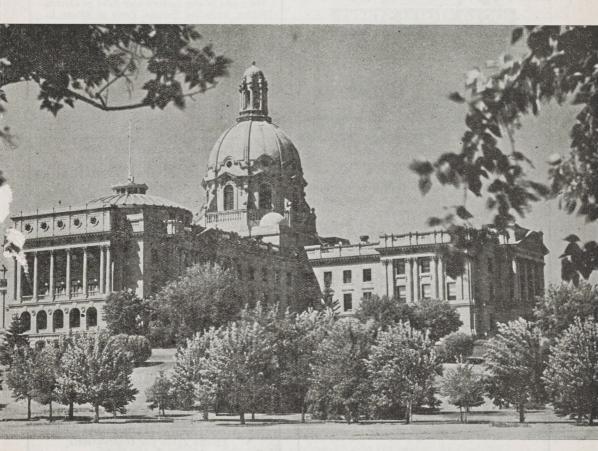
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# A CALL TO PRAYER

"At this historic moment surely not one of us is too busy, too young or too old to play his part in the nationwide, perchance world-wide, vigil of prayer as the great crusade sets forth.

"After nearly five years of toil and suffering we must renew that crusading impulse on which we entered the war and met its darkest hour. We and our allies are sure our fight is against evil and for a world in which goodness and honour may be the foundation of life of men in every land.

"That we may be worthily matched with this new summons of destiny, I desire solemnly to call my people to prayer and dedication.

"We are not unmindful of our shortcomings of the past and present. We shall not ask that God may do our will, but that we may be enabled to do the will of God; and we dare to believe that God has used our nation and Empire as an instrument for fulfilling His high purpose.

"If from every place of worship, from home and factory, from men and women of all ages and many races and occupations our intercessions rise, then, please God, both now and in future not remote the predictions of an ancient psalm may be fulfilled: 'The Lord will give strength unto His people; the Lord will give His people the blessing of peace'."—His Majesty the King on D-Day.

# Diocesan News

# **BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS**

July 2-Vermilion.

July Reception, Vermilion.

5-Congregational meeting, Edgerton. July 9—2:30 p.m., Church of the Air (All Saints' Cathedral). July

3:30 p.m., Parade—Canadian Corps

Association (All Saints' Cathedral). 7:30 p.m., Confirmation, St. Luke's.

July 16-Rife.

Glendon. Ashmont. Beaver River.

July 21-23—Grand Centre.

DIOCESAN SUMMER SCHOOL

The twelfth annual Summer School is to be held at Kapasiwin from Tuesday, July 18th, to Friday,

July 28th.

Full particulars have been circulated to all parishes, and we are hopeful of a good response and a large enrolment. The cost of the school is only \$1 per day, and everyone can be assured of a happy and helpful holiday. These annual Summer Schools are becoming more and more a part of our Diocesan life, and are contributing much to the spirit of good fellowship and understanding between the young people of the various parishes throughout the Diocese. Each year we try to make some improvements to the camp site, and this year there has been substantial improvement made. Diocesan camp is extremely well located, with a paved road most of the way, and it is our hope that we may make the fullest use of it during the summer months.

Boys' Camp

The camp for boys will be under the direction of the Rev. W. W. Buxton. The cost is \$1 per day, and any boys interested should enrol at once. The dates of the Boys' Camp are Tuesday, August 1st, to Friday, August 11th. Mr. Buxton's address is 10014 102A Street, Edmonton.

Girls' Camp

Since the camp leaflet was sent out a change has been made in the arrangements for the Girls'

has been made in the arrangements for the Girls' Camp. It will be for one week only, from Saturday, August 19th, to Friday, August 25th, and the cost will be \$5.

Any girls between the ages of 11 and 16 who would like to go should get in touch with the Camp Supervisor, Mrs. W. Tingle, 9802 83rd Avenue. Registrations should be made as soon as possible.

# Rural Deanery of Edmonton

HOLY TRINITY
THE REV. W. M. NAINBY
Mothers' Union

The closing meeting of the season was held at the home of our president, Mrs. Dean, with twelve members being present. The reading material for this meeting was contributed by Mrs. Webster. Plans were made to recommence sewing and knitting for Social Service. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7th, at the home of Mrs. M. S. Young, 9743 93rd Avenue. Parish Guild

At the meeting which was held at the home of At the meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. Burpee on Monday, May 29th, plans were made for the Garden Party which is to be held at the home of Mrs. Harold Hawe, on Wednesday, June 28th. The convener will be Mrs. Stephen, assisted by Mrs. Burpee, Mrs. Hardy, and Mrs. Proctor. At this meeting, it was decided to donate another \$100.00 towards the mortgage fund. The proceeds from the spring tea which was held recently amounted to \$62.00. We are sorry to report that Mrs. Benson has resigned as secretary from the Parish Guild.

Young Women's Fellowship

The Rummage Sale which was held recently was an outstanding success, and we would like to thank all our friends in the Parish who helped us so generously with gifts. At the last meeting of the season, which was held on June 14th, we decided to give \$175.00 towards the mortgage fund. We have recently formed a Red Cross Group and we are working for the Mobile Blood Clinic. We have decided to work right through the summer, and we meet every Wednesday in the vestry. If any ladies of the congregation are interested in this work, they will be made most welcome.

W.A.

The Annual Garden Party was held on June 21st at the home of Mrs. W. J. Cardy. Those who attended will always remember the beautiful flower gardens, and we thank Mr. and Mrs. Cardy for sharing so much beauty with us all. The holiday season is here again, and we hope our members will continue their prayers for our missionary work during the relaxation of our activities. The work of the Active Service Group will continue throughout the summer.

Girls' Club
On May 29th the Girls' Club held its annual banquet at the Corona Hotel. We were pleased to have as our guests our honorary presidents, Mrs. Nainby, Mrs. Melrose, Mrs. Greenwood and also Mrs. Reynolds. The banquet was followed by a theatre party. On June 5th, Mrs. Melrose concluded the Bible studies for the season. The meeting of June 12th was to have taken the form of a hike, but this had to be postponed on account of bad weather. The activities of the Club will be discontinued for the summer, and will be resumed in September.

Choir

Following the final practice for the summer months, a party was held in the church basement for the Choir and their friends. Mr. H. Wild, our organist and choirmaster, was presented with a gift to mark the conclusion of ten years of service. birthday cake complete with candles had the place of honor on the table in celebration of the birthdays of our Rector, Ida, and Tom. Games under the direction of Miss Audrey Sowerby were enjoyed by all. Mrs. H. Mackie and Mrs. R. Molloy were in charge of arrangements. Choir practices will be resumed on September 7th. Members please note: Services still take place, so please attend all the services you can during the holiday season. The best of wishes go to Miss Vera Voros, one of our members, who has recently joined the R.C.A.F. (W.D.) (W.D.)

On Sunday, June 25th, the Rector dedicated a group of three stained glass windows. They are a memorial to Edward and Charlotte Hinds, and William James Melrose, and are the gift of Mrs. W. J. Melrose. The centre window is a reproduction of Holman Hunt's famous picture. "The duction of Holman Hunt's famous picture,

Parish Notes

Light of the World."

The Wardens and Vestry are to be the hosts at a garden social to be held on the rectory lawn, on Wednesday evening, July 5th. The Rector, Mrs. Nainby and the Wardens will receive, and members of the Vestry will serve.

Sunday School

Owing to inclement weather the Sunday School picnic for the Primary and Main Schools were cancelled. The Garneau Sunday School held a picnic in the South Side park.

Sunday, 25th June, was the day of prize-givings, and a large number of good books were distributed

as prizes for attendance and efficiency.

The Good Companions' Club, under Mrs. Tingle, continue to meet regularly. A magazine sent from East Ham, London, contains a paragraph by the local vicar in which he expresses his grateful thanks for the help received from the Good Companions' Club of Holy Trinity, Edmonton.

We shall be losing the services of some teachers, and we are sorry to see them leave. Miss Betty Price and Miss Jean Climie expect to go into training as nurses in September, and already Betty Pinnell has left to join the C.W.A.C. They

have our very best wishes.

**Property.** A considerable amount of work has been done on the church and rectory. The beautiful west window depicting "The Ascension" was in need of some repair to the woodwork, and all the woodwork is to be painted. The rectory veranda has been glassed-in, and other repairs effected, and we hope to have the rectory painted too.

ST. FAITH'S

THE REV. I. M. WATTS, Rector

We were pleased to welcome two guest speakers this month—the Rev. A. E. Greenhalgh of Saskatoon, and Flt.-It. H. C. Smith of No. 3 Manning The Bishop was also a very welcome

visitor at an Evensong Service.

W.A.: The Little Helpers' Rally was held on May 31st. A simple service being held in the church, where the children presented their boxes. A substantial increase was noted later in the parish hall. The Birthday Party was held with about 45 Little Helpers, and their mothers were present. The Senior W.A. were hostesses, and Mrs. C. Field, a most generous convenor, provided two birthday cakes, one for the boys and one for the girls.

Mrs. A. Potter is acting secretary in the absence of Mrs. McDonald. We were pleased to have Mrs. C. Fishbourne, the Diocesan Secretary, with us. The rain rather spoilt the finish but everyone

seemed to have a good time.

Juniors: We have reason to be doubly proud of our Juniors and their leader, Mrs. R. H. Chisholm. After winning the silver cup last month, they brought the Banner from the Junior Rally, for the year's work.

Intermediate W.A.: The girls and their leader, Mrs. R. Smith, were planning a hike to round off their activities for the season.

Seniors: The bale was duly finished and sent to the Diocesan Dorcas Secretary.

The last collection for the U.T.C. showed a

decided increase. Lantern slides of the Study Book on Latin

America were shown at the last meeting, which concluded activities until September.

Evening Group: After directing most of their attention to Dorcas work, Red Cross, and the Study Book, the Evening Group finished their meetings with a party and plan to resume on September 7th.

Notes: The weather was so unsettled on Saturday, 24th June, when the Sunday Schools had planned a picnic, that one and a half hours of movies were shown instead in the parish hall. About 90 or so turned up, and of course there were the usual good things to eat.

We are proud of the good showing in the recent G.B.R.E. Exams.

We were deeply moved by the large number who came to church on Invasion Day. Intercessions have been held Tuesday evening, Wednesday after-noon and Thursday morning during the past few weeks.

Mid-week services will be discontinued until

August.

The Roll of Honour, for those who have made the Supreme Sacrifice, and those on active service, was read at Morning Service, June 18th.

We were deeply grieved to learn of the severe injuries received by Mr. E. Currey, in a recent accident. He is our Sunday Superintendent and Lay Reader, and we wish to assure both him and Mrs. Currey and family that our thoughts and prayers are with them during this trying time.

As we go to press the Rector, Mrs. Watts and Gloria are off on a well-earned holiday. Our best wishes go with them for a pleasant and restful



St. Stephen's Church

ST. STEPHEN'S CANON J. C. MATTHEWS

Sunday Services:

Holy Communion, 8 a.m.

Sung Eucharist and sermon, 11 a.m.

Evensong, 7.30 p.m. Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Week-day Services: Holy Communion on Monday, Wednesday,

Thursday and Saturday, 8 a.m.

Sgt. Harold Gregory is home from overseas. His many friends at St. Stephen's were delighted to see him again.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Williams

on the arrival of the son and heir.

The Sunday School picnic was on Saturday, June 24th, and in the parish hall on account of the unsettled weather.

Diplomas for proficiency in reciting the Lord's Prayer, the Creed and the Ten Commandments have been presented to some of the scholars—First Class to George Koyich, Eleanor Nichols, Ruth Burghardt and Margaret Koyich; Second Class to Ernie Watson, Malcolm Hadley and Harvey Jeffries; Third Class to Charlotte Wentworth and

Marlene Patricia Maffret was baptized on June

ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS Word has been received that Ross Phillips is missing. He was promoted to the rank of warrant officer a short time ago, and has been presented to His Majesty the King.

ST. MATTHEW'S

We are pleased to see an increase in attendance at Holy Communion. Man's extremity is God's opportunity and more and more are becoming aware of the need for higher guidance and protection for themselves and their loved ones.

A big chunk of thanks goes out this month to Mr. Tom Whiting and his son-in-law, Mr. Flowers, for the splendid job they have made in laying the new sidewalk from the main sidewalk to church, vestry and parish hall entrances.

We think it very generous on the part of Mr. Flowers, who used up a lot of his furlough time to work for the church, and we are all indebted; very much needed work, too.

The W.A. have been meeting at Mrs. Delaney's residence and carrying on their good work. They will be closing down during the months of July and

August.

Sister Amelia in charge of the Sunday School reports good attendance for the past month. When and if she should be unable to turn up at any function, Mrs. Stimson always is there to see things run smoothly.

A movie show was put on by the Sunday School at the community hall and although the hall was not filled by any means, yet adults and juniors found the pictures educational and amusing.

ST. MARY'S

THE REV. A. ELLIOTT
Sunday School: St. Mary's Sunday School is growing. We have more than doubled our attendance since December, 1943. Our average attendance for May was 86.5.

Competition between the classes is very keen; Mr. White's class, the Junior Boys, winning the Sunday School Attendance Banner for May, by a score of

95.4%.

Hikes and outings have been held by the teachers for the pupils, and all are looking forward to this

fall when they will get together again.

We have seven teachers who are co-operating to make the classes interesting.—Miss Doris Morgan, Senior Girls; Mr. Scott, Senior Boys; Miss Hazel MacDonald, Junior Girls; Mr. White, Junior Boys; Miss Dora Ingram, Primary; Mr. F. Hannard, Primary; Miss Gloria Hiron, Beginners.

A picnic is planned for June 24th. June 25th will be the last service until after the summer holidays.

W.A.: Our annual tea and summer sale which was held at the home of Mrs. A. Jackson, on June 15th, was a splendid success both socially and financially. Many visitors had tea on the lawn and thoroughly enjoyed it.

Slides on the Study Book which were shown us recently by the Vicar, assisted by Mrs. Baines, our Educational Secretary, were very much enjoyed and we all voted them the best slides yet.

Our bale is complete and will be delivered to the

Diocesan Secretary very shortly.

Evening Group: Early in February Mrs. L. Suss and Mrs. H. Scott were named delegates to the Diocesan Annual Meetings.

During that month donations were made to the Sunday School, for supplies, and the Diocesan Thank Offering. At the March meeting Mrs. J. Robertson was

named Educational Secretary, and offered to bring a Study Book for the use of the group.

The motion was made and carried, that our

pledge be increased from \$4.00 to \$12.00.

March 17th the group held a social evening in the form of a whist drive in the parish hall.

At the March 23rd meeting Mrs. L. Suss was named Dorcas Secretary and the sum of \$5.00 was voted for the Dorcas work.

Material was purchased and distributed among

the members for sewing.

A rummage sale was held at the Social Credit Hall, June 17th; the sum of approximately \$50.00 being raised.

Girls' Auxiliary: Organized several months ago, we now have a membership of ten. The Auxiliary entered the Girls' Festival and was awarded a pennant. The first social meeting was in the form of a picnic to which guests were invited. Everyone had a very happy time, especially during the singsong around the campfire.

On June 2nd a social evening was held in the parish hall. A programme consisting of songs, recitations and Scotch dances was given throughout the evening, as our guests had their tea at tables on the main floor of the hall. All of the members were Diocesan uniforms of the Girls' Auxiliary.

Several meetings followed this event but we have closed for the summer now. We hope to start on a

full programme of badge work in the fall.

Juniors: Our Juniors have been meeting every week in the parish hall and have several new members. They have been busy lately working for their stripes and badges and to complete their

Thelma won the first prize given by Mrs. Chamberlain at the Rally. Leora and Jean also

received awards.

Their picnic and hike held on the 23rd June was

very much enjoyed.

Men's Club: The St. Mary's Men's Club, together with the Evening W.A., held a successful evening picnic recently, about twenty-five persons

As the church has no caretaker for the summer months, the Men's Club have undertaken the responsibility of keeping the grass cut and the grounds in good order, and have a weekly work

party for his purpose.

At the last meeting of the Men's Club we had the pleasure of having Stoker First-Class Grabb with us, he has just returned home on leave after over four years active service in the R.C.N., and gave us an interesting talk on some of his experiences.

The Club are assisting the Sunday School in the

holding of their picnic.

# Rural Deanery of Pembina

ST. CATHERINE'S, EDSON THE REV. W. DEV. A. HUNT

Special services were held during the week of the invasion. On the morning of June 5th a large number of school children attended, following on their own service at the school. In the evening all three churches united. On Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Such combined services were held at the United and Pentecostal Churches, respectively. Each time the church was filled. On Wednesdays the 13th and 20th there was a celebration of the Holy Communion, with special intention for those taking an active part in the affairs of this critical time. A better response to these had been antici-

The widespread affliction of water in the basement

# Searchlights of the War on Great Subjects

VII.—ON THE UNION OF CHURCHES

By Rev. Ebenezer Scott, M.A., B.D.

The grand alliance which we call by the name of the United Nations has given a special impetus to the movement which was already in progress towards the Union of the Churches. Some twenty years ago we were celebrating the sixteenth centenary of the Council of Nicaea, to which the Church owes the classical expression of its faith in the Nicene Creed. Constantine summoned this council because, after he had finally won undisputed sovereignty over the empire of Rome, he wished to have a united Church in his united empire. Similarly, it seems fitting that there should be a united Church in the United Nations. The secular and economic motive is naturally blended with the spiritual desire to extend the kingdom of God over the entire empire of human life.

There is some truth both in Emerson's saying, "If a man would be great, he must be a Nonconformist", and in the title of one of G. K. Chesterton's essays, "The Importance of Orthodoxy". It is often among the smallest sects that the best men are found. The small sects build up individual character and strengthen personal conviction. In every department of life, on the other hand, the race has arrived at certain conclusions, and fixed these in certain institutions, on which it cannot go back. With every desire for freedom of thought and action, we come to certain limits behind which we cannot pass; we feel the importance of orthodoxy. In the moral sphere we may be confronted with such a doctrine as companionate marriage, which strikes at the sacred institutions of the family and the home; we can only brand this as a heresy, and try to stamp it out. So, too, in our religion, there are certain ultimate truths without which the Christian Church could not exist. The Free Church Council in England, for instance, does not receive the Unitarians into its fellowship. Its members may feel it "great" to be Nonconformists, but they also feel that here they have come to a point at which they must emphasize "the importance of orthodoxy".

The ideal of the Christian Church is catholic. But within certain fixed, though wide boundaries, there is ample room within the Catholic Church itself for liberty of thought and teaching. There will always be a great Nonconformity which recognises, with perfect consistency, an important orthodoxy at the back of all truth and of freedom itself. While we retain the Catholic creeds as classical expressions of the Christian faith, it is not only our right, but our duty, to translate them into the language and the forms of thought and worship which will best present the Gospel to the mind of each successive generation. The New Testament itself must be critically examined, and interpreted in the most comprehensive spirit, for we have already, in the books which compose it, such varieties of teaching that a separate sect could be founded on almost any one of them taken by itself. The other churches are showing an increasing readiness to consider the advantages of the historic episcopate as a bond of union in the Church of the future; but they show no disposition to accept it as an esseential mark of the true Church, and any insistence on a particular theory of it would certainly be fatal to all hopes of union.

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Indeed, "to such a being as man, in such a world as the present," as Bishop Butler would say, with that sober caution which only veils his splendid devotion to truth, a Union of Churches, in the sense of one vast, organised body, seems to be one of those dreams which will be a long time in coming true; it even seems a question whether it is a dream of which a literal interpretation is to be desired. As with the League of Nations in the political sphere, a League of Churches, in spiritual unity, is perhaps the best to which we can aspire, rather than an iron-bound union of churches.

"Our unhappy divisions," has become almost a standard phrase of modern liturgics. But are our divisions so very unhappy after all? As a man's home is the sweetest spot on earth to him, as every man needs a country to give him a home in the wider world, so every Christian needs a Church, to be the private home of his own soul, and the native land of all his spiritual affections. Perhaps through our very divisions the Holy Spirit is working out our happy unity in the One Body of our Lord, the Holy Catholic Church.

# ANGLICAN ANSWERS WHY PRAY?

Prayer is a spring That leaps and wells Up from the heart A primal need.

So writes Mary Britton Miller in her war-poem "The Crucifixion". And her words are confirmed by many a story which has come to us out of this present conflict. Soldiers in the fox-holes at Bataan, sailors on rubber rafts in the midst of the Pacific, airmen surrounded by bursting shells in the night sky—all have confessed that in moments of great crisis they have turned to prayer and found inexpressible relief in seeking the aid of a Power greater than themselves. Prayer is 'a primal need' and he who stifles prayer, denies one of the deepest instincts of his own being.

Not only however does prayer express itself as a cry of need. Some of the earliest prayers in the history of mankind are simple cries of thanksgiving and this sense of gratitude has never completely forsaken the human heart. In the recent biography of G. K. Chesterton, we are told that he was a man who could not escape a feeling of unbounded gratitude. Each day seemed a special gift calling for his thanks.

You say grace before meals. All right,

But I say grace before the play and the opera

And grace before the concert and pantomine

And grace before I open a book And grace before sketching, painting, Swimming, fencing, boxing, walk-

ing...
And this upsurge of gratitude led him inevitably to ask, "To whom do I owe this gratitude?" His answer might have

been put in the words of another poet,

The sense within me that I owe a debt
assures me

Somewhere, must be Somebody waiting to take His due.

Prayer then is 'a primal need'. On the one hand, unless my soul is dead within me, I must give thanks to God; on the other hand, unless my pride prevents me, I must cry out to the One who can succour and save. But just like all other 'primal needs'—for food, for rest, for exercise, for cleanliness—this need for prayer must be ordered and directed in regular ways. There may be the widest possible variety of rules and practices but without some definite plan, man's spiritual life becomes weak and

flabby and the very desire to pray gradually fades away. Here then are

one or two suggestions.

1. Let a regular time be set aside in each day as the time for prayer. It may be for the individual, it may be for the family: it may be in the morning, it may be at night. But let the time be settled and let it be kept sacred for this particu-

lar purpose.

2. Let every time of prayer include both thanksgiving and petition. However hard the way of life may be, there are always things for which we can give thanks: and however smooth and easy the path may seem, there is never a time when we can afford to be without the protecting and guiding hand of God. Praise and petition are the two hands which prayer lifts up to God.

3. Let the Bible be our constant companion as we continue the practice of prayer. It was a wise old Rabbi who, when some pupils came asking him to

teach them the path of life, replied "When ye pray, know before whom ye stand." There is no book which can give us this knowledge in the way that the Bible can. Let us read, mark, learn and inwardly digest its words. So shall the voice of God echo in our ears and we shall hear and respond.

4. Let the words we use in prayer be simple and natural and real. There can be great value in using prayers drawn from the Prayer Book or other sources but there is still greater value in using a few sentences at least which are our very own. The virtue of a prayer does not lie in its beauty or its orderliness or its orthodoxy: it lies first and foremost in its sincerity. Let there be eagerness and regularity; above all let there be sincerity and this primal need of our natures will find increasing satisfaction as it reaches up to the very heart of God Himself.

F. W. DILLISTONE.

## Comments-Original and Otherwise CURATE

#### NOT ASHAMED OF HIS FAITH

Only about ten days before the death of Col. Knox, United States Secretary of the Navy, I came across this reference to an address he delivered in Toronto. It read as follows:

Completing the reading of a prepared manuscript, Col. Knox leaned over the head table amidst applause, held up his hand and said "Now I'd like to say something personal and tell you a few stories".

His first tale was of a young American pilot whose 'plane was badly shot up after he had knocked out three Japanese 'planes. The youth crashed into the sea but was rescued. In his report he wrote: "It took a lot of prayer."

Col. Knox said the night before the Sicilian invasion when an expected storm threatened to block the attempt "God then brought calm

to the seas and every ship landed"

His third story was about one night when he couldn't sleep because he had received secret information submarines were concentrating on the path of a transport convoy. His wife decided to read him a psalm from the Bible.

"Men", said Col. Knox, "I went to sleep in a hurry and I think God saved that invasion

"We're fighting God's war", the Navy Secretary said. "That we should lose it is unthinkable . . . Lets pray to God and work and fight."

It shows how far we have officialized religion, that this report was headed in big black type—"Layman Says Pray As Never Before". In the mind of the editor of the paper it was news, worthy of a special headline, for a layman to talk about prayer.

#### NO NEED FOR TWO SITTING UP

The Viscountess Davidson—widow of the late Archbishop—recently told this story.

An old woman lived in a much bombed area

of London. All efforts to get her to move away to a safer place had been unavailing, and when a bishop happened to be visiting the district he was asked to see what he could do with the old lady; but he met with no success. His Lordship asked her: "What do you do when the sirens sound?" The old woman said: "I go upstairs, and I kneel down and ask God to keep me. And then I get into bed, for there's no point in two of us sitting up!"

#### CANADIAN MISSIONARY HONOURED

The Rev. Geoffrey Guiton, Principal of the Harriet Buchanan Boys' School, Palampur, India, has been awarded the Kaiser-i-Hind Medal for his "services to India". Rev. G. Guiton, formerly of Montreal, went to India as an M.S.C.C. Missionary in 1932.

#### GREAT CHRISTIANS

From a diocesan paper published in the island of Barbados, I quote the following

paragraph:

A missionary family, consisting of father and mother and three children, were all murdered in what was known as the Vegetarian Riots in China. Four of the other children escaped, after seeing the rest of the family murdered. They met again and decided what



The Rev. Robert and Mrs. Stewart

their revenge would be; they would all go and get the best training possible, and then return to China and give their lives in service for those who had murdered the rest of the family. They did so. All of them came back to China and have spent years of fruitful, loving service to the land that had been so unjust to the rest of the family. One of these brothers won to Christ Dr. James Yen, affectionately called "Jimmy Yen," the father of the Mass Education Movement in China-a movement through which literally hundreds of thousands are being taught to read. Alongside of the five graves in Foochow are two others—graves of the daughters of a widowed mother in Australia. They too had been murdered at the same time. When the news came to the widowed mother that her daughters had been murdered, her response was that, as she had no other daughters to give she herself would go. So. at sixty-two years of age, she sold off all that she had, went to the place where her children had been murdered, learnt the language, set up a school, gave twenty years of service, and dying at the age of eighty-two was buried beside her daughters. These five survivors concerned in

this deep injustice and cruel wrong, did not fear their pain, they harnessed it and made it serve.

E. STANLEY JONES.

That paragraph brought back to me the story of Robert Stewart and his wife, who spent a week-end with me in the year 1893. They were on their way back to China after a year's furlough in Ireland. It was they who first brought home to me the difference between the Church as a Club, and the Church as an Army, to win the world for Christ. They went on their way, and the following summer, as told by Mr. Stanley Jones, they were murdered. The children who escaped were in school in England, and the Chinese Nurse threw the youngest under the bed. I knew about the return of the family to the district where their parents had worked, but the story of Dr. James Yen is quite new to me. I treasure the memory of Robert Stewart and his wife, and will do so to the end. They were indeed great Christians.

#### FROZEN TOGETHER

From Forward Day by Day I quote as follows:

A characteristic mark of the original Christian community was that of social fellowship. Discrimination between rich and poor, lowly and high-born, was contrary to the spirit of brotherhood of Christ. All were one in Him.

How much social fellowship is there in the Church today? How many of us are free from "respect of persons"? Social distinctions are certainly to be found in our churches; and some of them have so little of the atmosphere of fellowship in them as to be repelling to those who are seeking it. "We Episcopalians," said a speaker proudly at a meeting, "are welded together." "No!" cried a voice, "frozen together!" That is an all-too-common impression of us—and is it altogether undeserved?

But this is an individual failing—yours and mine; and an individual responsibility. If our churches are cold and unfriendly, it is because we are cold and unfriendly. When we fulfil the royal law, and love our neighbors as ourselves, we shall have a Church that truly deserves the name of the Fellowship of Christ's Religion.

Class distinctions are powerful and can be plausibly argued. But they are not royal. "I could not think of having her at my table." Yes, but can we think of the King of the World ever saying a thing like that?

#### MEN WANTED

That is the title of an article in a Diocesan magazine published in the West Indies. It has to do with shortage of men offering for the ministry. One reason advanced is that people become so accustomed to a frequent round of church services that they fail to appreciate their privileges. "It can hardly be denied," says the writer "that people can become

Gospel-hardened, almost contemptuous of religion, through over-familiarity with its out-

ward organization."

But if people only know religion through "familiarity with its outward organization", they will become not "Gospel-hardened", but Gospel-starved. That is why it is becoming increasingly difficult to secure young men for the ministry.

TAME DUCKS THAT CANNOT FLY

The Living Message, the official organ of the W.A. in its April issue published the following verses as having been quoted by the Primate at the annual meeting of that body in Winnipeg.

THE TAME DUCK

There are three tame ducks in our backyard, Dabbling in mud and trying hard To get their share and maybe more Of the overflowing barnyard store, Satisfied with the tasks they're at Of eating and sleeping and getting fat; But whenever the free wild duck go by In a long line streaming down the sky They cock a quizzical, puzzled eye, And flap their wings and try to fly.

I think my soul is a tame old duck, Dabbling around in barnyard muck, Fat and lazy, with useless wings, But sometimes, when the north wind sings, And the wild ones hurtle overhead, It remembers something lost and dead And cocks a wary, bewildered eye And makes a feeble attempt to fly. It's fairly content with the state its in But it isn't the duck it might have been.

This parable of the three tame ducks, satisfied with "eating and sleeping and growing fat" and consequently losing the power to fly, as applied to the missionary endeavour of the Church, could, as I understand it, have only one lesson. The parish, the Diocese, the National Church, that becomes self-centred, only concerned about its local interest, eating and sleeping and getting fat, will inevitably lose the power to fly, that is, will lose all sense of world vision. I suppose it was to emphasize that point that the Primate quoted the verses about the tame ducks.

It would seem that the husband of a W.A. member who either heard or read the verses quoted, had other ideas about the effect of inactivity upon these idle self-centred barnyard ducks. So he proceeded to write a third verse which also was reproduced in The Living Message. It read as follows:

But though I may be a tame old duck, Dabbling around in barnyard muck, I do what I can to help the others And make life brighter for sisters and brothers, And maybe, who knows, in the sweet bye and bye,

The Lord may give me the power to fly.

The principle implied in that verse is quite the opposite of that in the verses above. It is

that barnyard ducks, satisfied with eating, and sleeping, and getting fat, if only they make effort to help other barnyard ducks like themselves to share in the good things that are going, may look forward hopefully that in the "sweet bye and bye" God will give them the power to fly. As well send our boys untrained and undeveloped into the invasion attack, and and undeveloped into the invasion attack, and hope that God will give them power to fight.

#### WHY SUNDAY?

That is the subject of an article that recently appeared in a Montreal daily paper.

I quote some of the concluding paragraphs:
"We would do well today to ask ourselves
this simple question: Is our modern method of observing Sunday an advance upon the Victorian standard? Even if we grant that the Victorian standard was not the best, have we, of this century, gone one better? The greatest condemnation of the modern trend in Sunday observance is that it is a definite moral downgrade; it is a retrogression in spiritual idealism.

Our leaders, whether clerical or political, should be prepared to defend Sunday against secularization and commercialization from a patriotic sense of duty as the trustees of society. If we pass on to the next generation a de-Christianized Sunday, they will pass on a de-Christianized Canada.

It will be much easier for us to defend

Sunday with religion behind it than it will be for our children to defend religion without

Sunday on which to practise it.

Sunday offers an opportunity for busy and tired men and women to recover strength for their whole manhood and womanhood, in body and soul. It provides quietness to think, time to reflect on the true significance of life, and to gain a clearer consciousness of God in whom we live and have our being. If we would keep our religion and our Christian Church; if we would preserve our nation's greatness; if we would save our souls, then we must save Sunday." we must save Sunday."

#### "MOST POPULAR OF BRITISH PRIME MINISTERS"

The President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, Mr. E. A. Johnston, speaking in London not long ago paid an affectionate tribute to the Prime Minister whom he described as "certainly one of the most popular British Prime Ministers America has ever had."

"The average American," he added, "expects Mr. Churchill to be stubborn, as well as witty and eloquent. The stubborner he is the more

the average American grins and applauds.
"For centuries many countries have tried to
make you less British. We have even tried to do it by marrying into Britain. But what is the result? Right out of an inter-marriage with an American you today have the most British Prime Minister of your whole history.

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# Rocking the Cradle



#### WHY AN EPISCOPALIAN?

By George I. Hiller Rector, Trinity Church, Miami

It is a good question, but I must, of course, answer in the first person. I am an Episcopalian because I was born in a Church family, soon afterwards baptized, and grew up in the Church. When I reached years of discretion I was confirmed of my own choice because I had learned that the Church had continued through nineteen centuries in unbroken line of teaching and ministry. I was impressed as a youth with love of freedom and liked the positive teaching of the Church as compared with negative teaching of Christianity around me.

I early learned to find an assurance of forgiveness and an inspiration to try again after each of my failures, when I took that experi-ence in prayer to Christ, particularly in the Holy Communion. I learned to depend upon the Holy Communion for spiritual food and strength and that dependence became a habit; without it, I should often have been plunged deeper into despair.

When at college age, science and materialistic teaching seemed to utterly destroy or deny those simple things which I had learned as a child and accepted literally. I searched for a substitute or a compromise and failed to find one that was adequate. In this state of mind the Church's positive teaching and the theory that Revelation was progressive and that the Old Testament was the written history of that progress which God had made in revealing Himself and His Word to mankind, came to

Before the altar of an English Church, two clergymen lean over a cradle, rocking the fiveweek-old son of a miner, while the parents and a crowded congregation look on. It is a custom which dates back from Biblical days, when all male children were taken to the temple to be dedicated to God. The infant singled out for this ceremony shown in the picture, was John William Richards, born two days before the New The ceremony took place in the parish of St. Mary of the Purification at Blidworth, Notts. It is claimed to be the only church in the country where this an-

cient custom is still followed. The cradle, cient custom is still followed. The cradle, more than a hundred years old, was decorated with flowers and evergreens. "It is believed that this ceremony at Blidworth was passed down from the Miracle Plays which were performed in the churches of the Middle Ages", the Vicar, the Rev. W. Warr, said. "These plays included the scene of the presentation of Christ in the Temple, and it seems that the cradle-rocking service is a relic of those days."

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my rescue. I began to see that there was no conflict between science and religion, but that each had its own immutable laws, and that the language and simile with which one generation expressed a spiritual truth might be unscientific, even preposterous in another age, without in any way invalidating the spiritual

The greatest factor and aid in finding the way through the maize, for me at least, was the Prayer Book. When I began to adjust my thinking with the Bible I found conflicting expressions and many more contradictory interpretations; but when I accepted the Church's teaching set forth at a minimum in the Prayer Book and builded from that, I found the way easier. When I turned to individual leaders of social and religious thought, I found that invariably I could travel along enthusiastically with them for a time only to find myself in an alley in which I could not turn around. I found my relation to the Church cemented by the fact that therein I was not bound to individual opinion but had a collective premise as a foundation.

## THE CHILDREN'S PAGE



Pink-eyes and Snow-white were tame white mice, whose cage contained a wire-wheel, round which they could run and imagine they

were travelling miles and miles; though the scenery outside always remained the same. But they did not seem to notice this, and often played with the wheel.

If they peeped through the bars of their cage, they could see rows of red flowerpots, and bulbs, set ready for planting. Sometimes they saw a shabby busy little mouse, called Mrs. Brown-coat; and once she asked for a few grains of corn, but the proud white mice few grains of corn, but the proud white mice would have nothing to do with her.

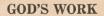
One day the little girl who owned Pink-eyes and Snow-white, went for a holiday to the sea-side—first asking Mr. Pea-pod, the gardener, "Will you please look after my white mice?" But he was so busy working amongst his plants that he forgot all about the white mice!

They waited and waited for their corn and milk; and ran round and round in the wirewheel to pass the time. Still no-one came, and they grew weaker and weaker. They were in despair, when they noticed Mrs. Brown-coat. "Please bring us food, or we shall die", they called.

But she scampered off. However, she soon returned with a piece of stale bread, and a leaf with dew on it-for the white mice.

Every day she came with food, until the little girl came home from the seaside, and Mr. Pea-pod had to admit that he had forgotten all about the white mice!

But Mrs. Brown-coat had kept them from starving, and they did not forget her kindness. They always pushed sweet corn through to her and never again treated her with disdain, because of her shabby brown coat.



There were so many lovely things That made me glad today . . The sunshine on a robin's wings And baby squirrels at play.

The fragrance of a dewy rose And fields of clover sweet; The brown-eyed daisy bud that grows And blossoms at my feet.

The turquoise of the sky o'erhead, A slim crab-apple tree, The white foam of the clouds that spread Their beauty over me.

The crimson tints of sunset's glow Across the wooded land ... Oh, what a joy it is to know The work of God's good hand.

By Effie Butler.



# JULY



- 2. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- 9. FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.
- 15. Swithun, Bishop of Winchester, 862.
- 16. SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.
- 20. Margaret, Virgin and Martyr of Antioch, 278.
- 22. Saint Mary Magdelene.
- 23. SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.
- 25. Saint James, Apostle and Martyr.
- 26. Saint Anne.
- 30. EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

#### MISSIONARY BRIEFS

Indians Give to China and India Famine Appeal

Thousands of people will be helped in both these countries because Church of England people have responded generously to meet the appalling need.

\$82,092.35

is the total received up to May 22.

A fine spirit of concern for the suffering of people in other lands is shown by some of our Indians, as the following from the Bishop of Keewatin indicates:

A cheque for \$150.00 for Famine Relief came from our Grace Indian Mission at Split Lake where the Rev. G. C. Cowley is the missionary. When the appeal was made, his people were

unable to respond on account of the scarcity of fur; indeed the Department had to provide additional relief. Happily the beaver season was opened and a certain number of skins were allowed for each trapper sixteen years and over, with beneficial results. This cheque is a thank-offering from the Indians of that Band.

#### Concern for Overseas Missions

Members of the M.S.C.C. Executive meeting on May 9th recorded their grave concern over the present position of the Overseas Missions and in particular over the urgent need of re-cruits for Kangra. The enlistment of two ordained men to be sent out to India as soon as possible was authorized by the Committee. The Rev. H. F. Newman, B.A., of Kensington, P.E.I., was appointed as one of the two needed.

In addition to these two, several other workers are urgently neded for the District of Kangra:—a lady doctor, a married male doctor, nurses, a nurse-evangelist and a graduate teacher.

#### Transportation Needs in Missionary Dioceses

The M.S.C.C. Executive "authorized a special grant to assisted dioceses to help meet transportation problems in 1944, and the appointment of a special sub-committee on transportation to make a full study of the future transportation needs of these dioceses and the best use of a fund of \$10,000 set aside to meet them. Special Items

Special help was voted by the M.S.C.C. Executive meeting on May 9th for the following

1. The church and hall in the Indian Mission at Whitefish Lake, Alberta, which was established fifty-five years ago.

Five years ago the logs of the old mission church were rotting; the roof leaked; it was generally in bad shape. The Roman Catholics

But when the Rev. R. T. Cathcart became principal of the school, which is housed in a very inadequate log building, and missionary-in-charge, the rumour being circulated by the Roman Catholics soon reached him. They were right on the spot with a much larger school, trying continually and by every means to win from our church and school the Indians belong-ing to the Church of England, and the Indians were beginning to turn to them.

The new principal resolved that something must be done quickly. First, a new church must be built which would be a worthy place in which to worship. So securing funds from many sources, he and the Indions set to work on a neat log church. Although it is not yet finished—it still lacks the outside facing—the church has been consecrated and is in use.

Another urgent need in the mission was a community hall which could be used as the school playroom and gymnasium, and as a centre for social gatherings and meetings. This, too, Mr. Cathcart began to build and this spring it has four walls and a roof but no floor, doors or windows, and funds have vanished. Two thousand dollars was needed to complete the two buildings and to show that the Church of England was on the spot also and able to hold those who as a result of years of devoted missionary service had become her members and were following the Christian Way of life.

The case was put before the Spring meeting of the M.S.C.C. Executive on which are representatives of the Dominion Board of the W.A. and the promise was given by the meeting that money would be found to meet the need, thus vindicating the action of Principal Cathcart and the loyalty of those Indians who had stood fast.

2. Homes at Pender Harbour, B.C., for aged

people.

Scattered along the coast in isolated places are aged couples who should no longer be far

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# ROADS

By the Rev. B. S. Murray, M.A.

In the summertime roads interest us. Instinctively we desire to take the open road and not only adventure into paths untried, but also revisit old scenes and renew old friendships. Hill people turn to their hills; for sea-folk, sick for the sea, the roads stand ready, inviting challenging

ing, challenging . . . July is a month rich in suggestiveness for those who like roads. Take the Road of Yesterday back to July 1st, 1867, and think of the birthday of Canada as a Dominion. Of course our national story goes back farther than twenty-seven years, back to the trail blazer and path finder who on land or sea laid the foundations of this great land. Into that story roads enter, for first came the trail of the deer, then the path of Indian, trapper, post-rider, prairie schooner, stage coach — mud, cordury, stone, macadam (now concrete) and steel railroads, while overhead fly pioneers of his Majesty's Air Mail Routes. The intrepid aviators fly across provincial boundaries as freely as birds over woodland and field. Now the concrete roads of Canada are the cement of Canada. Along the Canadian highway many races dwell together, each adding to the enrichment of our mosaic, for roads, the sign and symbol of our civilization, suggest progress and activity. All creative acts, whether in government, commerce, science or religion, create roads. Just now many roads in the old world are blocked by devastation and death. Happily this is only temporary. The road ahead which leads to peace, brotherhood and mutual service, epitomised in the Four Freedoms, will be a hard, uphill one. In order that the old Road of Life may be worthy for our children to travel upon in freedom let us hard the guide posts appeared for up by Him. heed the guide posts erected for us by Him who has been over the road. Make every journey a pilgrimage towards the eternal city wherein perfect beauty and abiding joy dwell.

All roads lead to home sweet home. There is no place quite like it with so many dear intimate associations of the things closest to our hearts and minds. The Church, eager to guard family life, bids us on July second commemorate the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to her cousin Elisabeth (St. Luke 1: 39) and thereby reflect on social intercourse, a department of human activity that is so often desecrated by vanity and frivolity when it could be fruitful and re-creative. Today Canada needs millions of spiritual conversationalists. Will you enlist? Remember the Incarnation has made such salutations, such embraces, such social life possible.

#### The Road To God's House

Nor will we forget the old familiar road which leads to God's House and endeavour to keep it open in the summer time. We need the Church; the Church needs us. Those were dear happy days when we worshipped God in



His house on His day. Today the Church is being attacked. Let us arise, put on our Christian armour, and, in the spirit of crusaders, go forth to defend the cause of Christ. Love must be recovered and infused into all departments of life, sacred and secular. The Church constantly urges "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths." Do this and we shall find happiness. Then will democracy, religious tolerance, and unity, function effectively. So as you set your heart toward the highway make certain that your character has developed stability and a high sense of honour. You are a roadmaker! Is your road fit for the gods to travel upon? Too bad if it is faulty for there are others following after you. Let us therefore make our road of life safe not only for ourselves but for every other fellow-traveller. You are meant to be a pilgrim of the light and not of the night!

#### The Road of Loving Hearts

Achish said to David: "Whither have ye made a road today?" (I Samuel 27: 10, A.V.) Fine question for 1944. Are we building roads that will speed along peace, liberty, education, democracy, religious tolerance, and unity? Direction is all important. Let us therefore, in imagination, travel to Bethlehem, Calvary, and Olivet, at any time when we, or those near and dear to us, are bewildered intellectually, upset spiritually, or confused politically. There, "in Christ" alone, will you find a panacea for you or the world's ills.

Somehow my mind travels to that "Road of the Loving Hearts" in far distant Samoa which the natives built in affection for Robert Louis

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# One Hundred Years Ago

Quebec—A New Church Periodical — On 4 April, 1844, the first number of "The Berean", a Church of England weekly paper, was published by G. Stanley of the Bible and Tract Depository, 15 Buede St., Quebec. The last number appeared 5 April, 1849, when the Editor, a clergyman, removed from the city. The object of the paper was to further the interests of Protestant truth and its motto was taken from Acts 17. 11:— They (the people of Berea) received The Word with all readiness of mind and searched the Scriptures daily whether those things were so. Its first article was a reprint of a sermon entitled "Justification by Faith" by the Rev. Edward Bickersteth in Tavistock Chapel, London, and its last article was a protest against the control of the English Orphange of Devonport by the Sisters of Mercy of the Church of England under Miss Sellon.

Montreal—The 2nd Anniversary Meeting of the Church Society of the Diocese of Quebec was held at the National School House, Montreal, 3 July, 1841. Secretary, the Rev. Wm. Dawes. The Rev. J. A. Devine, of Chambly, was appointed Travelling Missionary of Montreal District. (The Church).

St. Edward's, Montreal—The laying of the foundation stone of St. Ann's, Griffintown, took place on July 9th when a scuffle took place. The workmen stuck King William's Orange flag on a pole and placed narcissus and yellow flowers about the building. This action gave offence to the Roman Catholic men and, in the scuffle that followed, a man was thrown over a wall. The females who were present became affrighted and took refuge on a low scaffolding that had been erected and which gave way. Some of them were severely injured. At that moment His Excellency arrived upon the scene and upon learning of the unfortunate occurrence drove off again. Another day will be appointed for the ceremony. What folly in men to carry to a foreign soil the causes of bloodshed which afflicted them in their native land. (The Church, July 16th, 1844).

Orange Commemoration—Archdeacon Stuart of Kingston informed the Editor of the Kingston Chroniele that he could not deliver a sermon before the Orangemen of Kingston on July 12th owing to that anniversary being connected with a political event and not sanctioned by the Church. (The Church).

St. Mark's, Barriefield was opened July, 1844. Cost £1000. Messrs. Baxter and Ferguson, Churchwardens.

Hawkesbury, C. W.—The cornerstone of the new gothic stone church, 52' x 32', was laid in the presence of the Rev. Jos. Abbot of Grenville and the Rev. J. A. Devine, missionary, by Mrs. Susanna Christiana Hamilton, widow of th late George Hamilton Esquire, with Masonic honours, on June 26th, 1844, at West Hawkesbury, near the Ottawa River on ground given by Hon. Peter McGill. Robert Hamilton and

others formed the Building Committee. (The Church).

York Mills, C. W.—St. John's Church, built of white brick, was opened by the Bishop of Toronto on June 11th, 1844. Rev. F. A. O'Meara, officiating minister,

Manners Township, C. W.—It was resolved to build a church on the 7th or 8th concession at a meeting held 17 April, 1844. Messrs. Porter, Preston and Jos. Hutchison, Trustees. (The Church).

Thornhill, C. W.—The Rev. Geo. Mortimer, M.A., Rector, while driving through the village, was thrown against a tree stump by his horse which took fright. He died two hours later, 15 June, 1844.

Toronto—Church Society and Visitation— The 2nd Annual Meeting of the Church Society was held 5 June, 1844, at the City Hall. Secretary, the Rev. W. H. Ripley, read report showing large increase in revenue. The Central Board, consisting of 22 priests and 21 laymen, was elected on June 6th. 74 priests attended the Second Triennial Visitation at the Cathedral Church of St. James. Mattins was said, 11 a.m., followed by a sermon and recess. Afterwards the Bishop's charge, which took  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours, was read. Then the clergy partook of the Holy Sacrament. The charge was printed in "The Church" of 12th July and referred to the great progress made. In 1839 there were 71 priests, in 1844 there were 103. The Bishop stated that the Indian Mission had progressed. The entire population had greatly increased but that there was much spiritual destitution and that, by means of the diocesan Church Society, the church members were making efforts to supply these needs. Those making efforts to supply these needs. present addressed a letter to the S.P.G. thanking the Society for its benefactions to the church in the past. One half of the clergymen present were missionaries maintained by the Society.

Toronto Ordination—30 June, 1844. Priests: Rev. John Hickie, London District, Rev. Geo. S. J. Hill, Chinguacousy, Rev. John Wilson, Colborne and Grafton. Deacons: Charles Ruttar and Robt. Harding of the Cobourg Theological Institution. (The Church). During 1844 the Rev. John Carey of Walpole Island, Rev. G. S. J. Hill of Mono, Rev. Henry Bath Osler of Bathtown, and Rev. J. Wilson were placed on the S.P.G. Missionary List. (S.P.G. Report, 1844).

Provincial Synod B.N.A.—At the close of his Visitation Sermon the Rev. W. Macaulay, the preacher for the occasion, called upon the Bishops of the North American Provinces to meet in the holy house of convocation. The book upon Convocation, written by Lathbury, will be found to recommend that the legislative body of our Mother Church should be convoked for deliberation. (The Berean, July, 1844).

Canada Colonial Estimates voted in the House of Commons £4190. The Bishops of Montreal received £1990 of this sum (as Bishop £1000, as Archdeacon £500, as Rector £400) and the R. C. Bishop £1000. The rest (£1000) was granted to 6 Rectors in cities and towns. The Nova Scotia establishment was granted £7162 of which the Bishop received £2000 and S.P.G. missionaries £3412. (The Berean).

London, C.W.—The foundation stone of St. Paul's was laid by the Bishop of Toronto, 24 June, 1844, with Masonic honours. W. Thomas of Toronto is architect of the building which has 1200 sittings and is in early gothic pointed style with a western tower. (The Church)

has 1200 sittings and is in early gothic pointed style with a western tower. (The Church).

Red River Mission—2 July, 1844. The Rev. W. Cockran met the confirmation candidates at the Middle Church where the Bishop of Montreal (G. J. Mountain) delivered a preparatory address and on the following day confirmed 148. 4th July at the Upper Church, the Bishop addressed the candidates presented by Mr. Cockran in the morning and confirmed 152 in the afternoon. 6 July, the Rev. J. Smithurst met the Bishop in a canoe at the Upper Fort, reached Middle Church 3 hours later. The Bishop examined the Rev. Messrs. Cowley and Macallum and on the following day ordained them priests to the great joy of Mr.

Cockran who felt that the burden of caring for this congregation had been placed in capable hands and a worthy successor of the Rev. D. T. Jones, who left the mission six years earlier, had at last been found. In the afternoon the Bishop preached at St. Andrew's Church, Grand Rapids. On the next day, July 8, a deputation of Protestant settlers came to the Rapids to thank the Bishop for having come to confirm the young members of the church. At 11 p.m., the Bishop left the Rapids for the Indian Church, 13 miles lower down the Red River. On July 9, the Bishop confirmed 200 Indians in this church and as many more stood outside the church door unable to enter. These Indians were "brands plucked out of the fire" by Mr. Cockran who rode down from the Rapids to witness the ceremony. The clergymen then thanked the Bishop for having visited the mission. The Indians then thanked him. Their address was read in Indian by Mr. Cook and in English by the Rev. J. Smithurst. The Bishop's parting address drew tears from the eyes of his listeners. 10 July, the Indians assembled on the beach at 2 p.m. and the Bishop took his departure, reaching Lachine Aug. 14th. (Que. Prov. Archives, The Berean).

# THE KING'S FORCES

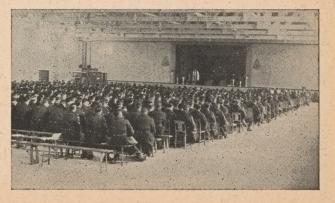


These reproductions of photographs show us something of the provision made for the men in the various fighting forces. This is the chapel and altar at Barriefield arranged for Easter Services. The pictures were kindly supplied by Major L. Paterson who for many years was in charge of the mail order section of the Supplies Department of the G.B.R.E.

#### A.Y.P.A.

"Forward to a Christian Peace" is the theme of the Thirteenth Annual Ontario Provincial Conference of the A.Y.P.A. to be held from October 19th to 22nd, 1944, at St. John the Evangelist Church, Smiths Falls, Diocese of Ottawa.





#### MISSIONARY BRIEFS

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from medical help. In many cases their resources would not permit them to live in a town or city, even if they would be happy there.

The Rev. Alan Greene, Superintendent of the Columbia Coast Mission, plans to erect small cottages near St. Mary's Hospital, Pender Harbour, in which these people can live and be cared for by the mission doctor.

3. A motor boat for use in James Bay.

This boat, which has now been purchased, is for the use of the Fort George School. When the term opens in the Autumn, many of the children from outlying districts must be collected and brought in to school, then in the early Summer they must be returned to their homes. This motor boat will provide much safer and more adequate transportation.

4. The Church in China in response to an appeal from the Chinese House of Bishops.

The Chinese House of Bishops has appealed to the Anglican Communion in Britain, the United States and Canada on behalf of its struggling clergy who must now be assisted through the Clergy Maintenance Fund. This fund also supports the Bishop of the Missionary Diocese of Kunning, and makes additional grants to dioceses according to special needs, caused by war, by rising prices, or by new opportunities.

Looking to the future of the Chinese Church, the Bishops see the necessity of a central organization such as General Synod, and of a Central Endowment and Reconstruction Fund which can make loans and grants for the rebuilding of churches, universities, schools and hospitals, and grants for the maintenance of Bishops and clergy. Financial assistance is needed if the young Church of China is not to

be retarded in its growth.

#### ROADS

(Continued from page 11)

Stevenson whose presence evoked love wherever he went. It ran from his island home to the sea which he loved. I know such a One. He said: "I am the way—the road—the truth and the life". His road was the road of loving hearts. I wish you and I could build our path like unto His—a love-constructed road. I wish we could start it today, for "we must pass this way but once!"

As you travel life's highways this summer be "careful to maintain good works" (Titus 3: 8) and

"As you tread life's changeful road, "Cast on Him each heavy load."

So, on the open Road of Life travel "toward the best—toward something great"! Onward then . . .

An evil thought passes thy door first as a stranger. Then it enters as a guest. Then it installs itself as a master.

#### THE CHURCH DOES NOT WAVER

"In the course of an important gathering at Athens some months ago, of forty-eight representatives of Greek public life (among whom were the Metropolitan of Athens, the Rector of the University, the Presidents of the Councils of the Academy, the Medical Association, and the Legal Association), a declaration was made in which it was stated that 'the Church constitutes the supreme representative authority.'

"Thus public opinion officially recognises the leadership of the Church. It is because of this principle that the Orthodox Church in Greece can endure persecutions and threats and can present a solid front to the measures brought in by the aggressor, and can produce some kind of adjustment between the unfortunate Greek people and the powers to whom they are at present subject.

"In the Greece of today, the Church is the only organism which, relatively at least, maintains its freedom of action and which works disinterestedly on behalf of the people."

#### CHURCH GREETING FROM SWITZERLAND

The following was sent out by members and secretaries of the Provisional Committee of the World Council of Churches, who met in Geneva to consider the present and future tasks of the World Council.

"Our thoughts and prayers have gone especially to those of our numbers who are fighting lonely battles or who have to stand the terrific isolation of imprisonment or concentration camp. But we are even more strongly conscious of the fact that 'if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another.'

"The reality of our fellowship depends on the presence of Jesus Christ the Light among us. And that light shines precisely in the darkness. The fellowship of the light becomes, therefore, more clearly visible when darkness descends upon the earth. This is our great joy and consolation in the midst of the undescribable sorrow of our time.

"We pray that our whole movement may fulfil the great condition of walking in the light. We pray that it may follow the clear lead of those of its members who have given a good confession as they have protested against the works of darkness, against the violation of the divine commandments, against persecution and injustice. We pray that it may become worthy of its calling to be the light of the world, and that through its message of reconciliation with God and with men, as also through its acts of healing and reconstruction, it may truly announce the City which has no need of the sun, neither of the moon, because the glory of God lightens it.

"May God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, shine in our hearts."



# Home Horizons

The radio series of Things to Come which extended over a goodly portion of last winter and spring, inadequate and hampered as it may have been,

nevertheless served an excellent purpose in starting discussions on similar subjects in all parts of Canada. It must have shown, perhaps for the first time, common problems for east, west and centre. It brought opinions and questions from all the provinces, especially the insistent question "what can we do now? What can we, as groups or individuals, do to get action immediately on the business of a better future?"

The most practical answer to that question, in our opinion, came from the natural source for such a reply, Gratton O'Leary, a newspaper man whose business has been to watch and report on Parliaments for many years. To him it was simple and obvious that a democracy worked through its elected representatives. World unity or federations, or groupings were remote, and beyond the influence of the ordinary individual but the local member of the provincial or national government is the servant of the people.

It is to be hoped that the discussion groups took this very sensible piece of counsel to heart and dwelt on its weak point. There was no mention of the fact that the man or woman who eventually represents the people in Parliament must, or should, have been selected and elected because of certain qualifications.

This naturally entails a fairly lengthy acquaintance with candidate and some mutual understanding and respect. The candidate goes to Parliament as the servant of the electors, not as an exalted personage, and surely he is responsible to his constituency for his words and actions. When many of these groups, anxious for "action now", realize the foregoing they will see that there is not a minute to be wasted, and very much to be done.

The Lady of The Lamp, and The Emergency

Have you in your district one or more trained nurses, perhaps married, who by
Charity Mauger

have risen to wartime emergencies and given countless lectures in Home Nursing and First Aid? We have at least three and the debt we owe to these women is very great indeed. Many of the Home Nursing lectures will benefit those taking them for the rest of their lives, while the wartime training brought everyone a little closer to realities. Don't take the contribution of these women to the war and the community for granted, but show them gratitude and appreciation in no mistakable fashion.

#### There Are Vacant Houses in Villages

The circumstances which have resulted from the housing shortage, Canada over, and especially to soldiers' families have brought us a variety of comments and opinions. And the outstanding opinion advanced is that instead of worrying fighting husbands with letters of worry, and wails about having to carry these burdens alone, that the wives solve the present problem at least by moving the family to one or other of the hundreds of villages and small towns. It is only the smaller centres in which some or other war industry has sprung up that have housing problems; many of the other towns and villages no doubt at the present time, or at any rate in the early autumn will offer a

autumn will offer a choice of two or more cottages or houses that would be considered a wonderful find in the city.

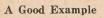
One soldier's wife, when reading and hearing of the problem that came much into the open on moving day, May 1st last, wrote from her village home, offering to share her house and garden, and good life, for a very nominal sum, stipulating only that the person who took up the offer to be Anglican. We did so hope that something definite



came of this excellent offer.

Looking from the window at the present moment two year-round houses can be seen, both of them empty for a year at least. From one the family went to war work in another place. The other has housed transient tenants. Around the corner is a stucco bungalow with beautiful stone fireplace for rent or for sale. In fact a half-dozen families could find comfortable shelter and friendly neighbours in this one

small village. One wonders why so many cling to the crowded and undesirable sections of the city, which is the only place within their means in urban centres. There are doctors and hospitals available to every section, and the red tape and fear which kept relief recipients chained to the point of administration surely does not affect the families of the armed forces. Schools and churches are everywhere and pictures are shown in every village. True there may be a certain amount of gossip in smaller communities, or a display of interest that is misconstrued by a newcomer, and resented; on the other hand there is a genuine friendliness that is expressed in overwhelming acts of kindness, and which is heartwarming. So we have found our neighbours during five years of village life.



It is a privilege living with a person like Brigid. She repays a close study of her methods which shows that although generous to a fault, still at the same time her generosity is often a wise investment. And while never a person with much money she is never lacking when the appeal is made. Sometimes she says, a little ruefully, that because she has never wasted anything, has utilized every smallest scrap of every sort that she has been able to help those whose thrift has not been so pronounced.

This analysis was provoked by the sight of Brigid tidying her trinket box. Some odd ornaments, which she had not used for a long time, she decided to give away. Broken articles were either set aside to be disposed of for metal value, or, if possible, to be mended and given to someone who would like that particular thing. An old brooch, part of a chain and an ornament, plus some imagination and a pencilled drawing was found to settle a gift problem, and in an original fashion. Brigid is one of those who scorns costume jewelry and much of the modern workmanship, for she lived among those who had beautifully designed ornaments. A present day worker in gold told her no man in this age would put the fine workmanship into any article as was in the old earrings he was examining.

Among the trinkets is a silver stamp box with a ring by which to attach it to a chain.



That was stuffed with a bit of absorbent cotton sprinkled with something sweet smelling, and put on baby ribbon, and our young friend across the street will be the proud possessor of a vinaigrette such as no other girl in the school ever dreamed of.

In a report from the long ago of the service taken by some noted preacher of his day, he was credited with having "made the finest

prayer ever addressed to a cultivated audience."

#### A Tree Grows in Brooklyn

One feels that "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" is intensely true, written out of the vivid recollection of the author whose childhood must have had much in common with Francie Nolan. Probably this very impression has a good deal to do with the fact that the book continues month after month to head the books most in demand.

As this is a period of much thought of nutrition and the body's daily needs, it is interesting to read of the starvation diet that the Nolans endured while the boy and girl were growing. Stale bread was the principle article of diet for the week, and only the ingenuity of Katie Nolan, the mother, gave taste and flavour to the fare. For instance "she'd take a loaf of stale bread, pour boiling water over it, work it up into a paste, flavour it with salt, pepper, thyme, minced onion and an egg (if eggs were cheap), and bake it in the oven. When it was good and brown she made a sauce from half a cup of ketchup, two cups of boiling water, seasoning, a dash of strong coffee, thickened it with flour and poured it over the baked stuff. It was good, hot, tasty and staying. What was left over was sliced thin the next day and fried in hot bacon fat." A bread pudding had one small apple sliced thin and a little sugar and cinnamon. Or bits of bread were dipped into a batter made of flour, water, salt and an egg, and then fried in deep fat. A penny's worth of brown rock candy was crushed with the rolling pin and spread on the hot bits.

These bread main dishes, together with onions and potatoes, coffee and condensed milk, and usually a pennyworth of something as a fillip for the meal formed the entire diet. The week-end was marked with ten cents' worth of meat or a soup bone and two cents' worth of vegetables. Nevertheless the Nolans fought their own way, kept a fierce family pride and accepted charity from no man.

Lay Evangelism

In a recent discussion on things ecclesiastical, the talk turned on lay evangelism. Some of the group didn't think much of it for the Church of England,—it didn't tie up with their

ideas. Someone wanted an individual instance in which it might be of benefit, and a little woman, a devout churchwoman spoke.

"Take the circumstances in which I am placed", she said, "in a house which is filled with people nominally Anglicans. They never go to church, they dislike the clergy on principle, and what seems worst of all to me is that two daughters in one family going over-seas in some war capacity are both unbap-tized. I spoke to the mother one day about this but she said a few drops of water didn't make much difference."

A member of the group asked about the incumbent of the parish. Had he done nothing about it? Unfortunately, explained the little woman, he says it is a waste of time to bother with the older people, and he is concentrating on the children and the young ones growing up; an attitude which has hurt the feelings of some older ones. "What should I do in this case?"

There seemed to be a little uncertainty as to method among the group, but a few vague suggestions of interesting people first on the secular side. "What do you say?" and a young man turned to an elderly woman who had remained silent.

"Well," she said, "I'm a High Church Tory, but I once saw the benefit of lay evangelism and it has governed my opinion ever since. Yes, I'll tell you, but it's a longish story. In the parish in which I grew up there was a family which stubbornly refused to be baptized. Curates of the most persuasive variety tried to change this attitude. One of the most persuasive is now an Archbishop, but it was all to no avail. Then one day a plump and placid dark-eyed girl of fourteen evidently made up her mind that the time had once come for some action. She went early to the unbaptised household so that the girl of her own age could have no excuse ready, and lured her to what was known in our little Mission as the 'Sewin' Class'. Our small missionary had discovered this girl was interested in making baby clothes, and we were then engaged on a bale for the Several weeks later a small sister joined the older girl and both became very enthusiastic little workers. Then to our astonishment one Sunday the dark-eyed placid missionary came along to Sunday School with her friend. We asked no questions at the time, but it transpired that the missionary had said she would help her young friend with the dishes if the latter would come with her to Sunday School. The mother, who had been so down on baptism, saw nothing wrong with the dishwashing, so no objections were raised.

"Anyway, to make a long story short, one sunny summer afternoon quite a large group of people encircled the font in the parish church. The missionary had even taken care to provide godfathers and godmothers before she had succeeded in getting the curate and the family together for some of the instruction she had felt she was not quite capable of imparting

herself. By the time the baptisms took place there was a sixth child in the family. So eight people were brought into the fold that day because a little girl saw something as her duty, and quietly did it."

There was silence as the elderly woman finished. She had taken the matter from the nebulous into the concrete, and reflected on the faces of the listeners was the certain conviction that that was the last thing that occurred to any of them to do.

#### COMMENTS

(Continued from page 7) THE RIGHT KIND OF **EVANGELISM** 

Recently I called upon an aged clergyman who had been ill for two months. He was still in hospital and when I was shown into his room I found him, Bible in hand, engaged in giving instruction to a young nurse in preparation for Baptism and Confirmation. The young woman's parents were Baptists. This clergyman had reached the age where most people would agree that he would have been justified in handing over the responsibility to younger men

It is all a matter of the spirit that animates the individual. The man who can say with St. Paul "I know in whom I have believed" never loses the desire to pass on to others the Good News that has brought blessing into his own life.

#### SOCIAL SERVICE WITHOUT GOD

The Editor of the Canadian Churchman has called attention to a present day tendency in Social Service discussions. Here in part is what he has written.

"It is sad to see Social Service discussions consist solely of Psychology, Philosophy, and material aids, and never a word said about God and His Power unto Salvation.

I am told that when someone mentioned this fact of God's Good News at a meeting, they considered it a rude interruption. Now I admit that Christians do not always present Christs' truth as Christ would present it; in other words, they are not humble and guided in their words. Nevertheless, to mention God in connection with a problem in Cod's world in connection with a problem in God's world is hardly an intrusion. When Social Service is Christian first and foremost, you will see a great change in our land."

#### THE CHURCH OVERSEAS Archbishop of Brisbane

Dr. R. C. Halse, formerly Bishop of Riverina, was enthroned as Archbishop of Brisbane, in succession to Dr. Wand, in St. John's Cathedral, Brisbane, on All Souls' Day. His Grace was later welcomed at a large public meeting, at which speeches were made by representatives of various religious bodies, including the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Brisbane.

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seriously affected church, rectory and parish hall, but is being removed by electric pumping.

ST. LUKE'S, MAYERTHORPE

The Rev. F. W. Baker

"Man the pumps," was the order of the month—
and man them we did in our effort to keep our basements dry, but most of us lost out. In the church
and vicarage we were more fortunate than most,
having an even foot of water in the church basement
and six inches on the floor of the vicarage basement.
Really we never quite realized how much stuff is
stored on the basement floor until he sees it floating
around!

June brought us news of the Allied Invasion—news which we have waited for so long; but which came to us as something of a shock. On the morning following the news, Wednesday, we had our service in St. Luke's. The church was crowded so that many had to remain standing through the service. A goodly number were from the United Church. During the hour of service everyone of the stores

was closed, so that all might attend.

On the Sunday evening a Service of Prayer and Intercession, in which the Rev. H. G. Smith of the Mayerthorpe United Church took part, was held in the Mayerthorpe hall. Mr. Montemurro, the owner of the hall, gladly let us have it for the evening free of all charge. The attendance, in spite of bad weather, was good. Almost everyone in Mayerthorpe and many from outside of the town, were present. At this service the suggestion that every plane passing overhead should serve as a reminder of the need for our prayers was made, and I believe was adopted by many. At such a time a short prayer might be uttered, perhaps, "O God bless those who suffer by reason of this war, especially our men who serve with the forces and stand in need of our prayers."

The June meeting of the St. Luke's W.A. was held at the home of Mrs. S. Martin, our new president. The meeting was well attended and at the conclusion of the business part of its meeting,

Mrs. Martin served a delightful tea.

The St. Luke's Sunday School closed on Sunday last to re-open the first Sunday in September. The attendance has been very satisfactory for the last quarter; no one had perfect attendance but Betty Gail Collier missed only one Sunday. Several of the pupils missed only two Sundays. Our very sincere thanks to to the teachers, who have been most faithful. We hope they will all be with us when we open again in September. The Sunday School picnic is to be held on Wednesday, we have our fingers crossed for fine weather.

Confirmation classes are being carried on regularly

Confirmation classes are being carried on regularly in Mayerthorpe but bad road conditions have made it impossible to hold the classes in points away from here. Now, perhaps, we shall be able to continue working extra hours to make up for lost

time.

ST. JOHN'S, ONOWAY THE REV. F. A. PEAKE

Our invasion day service was held on June 6th with more than seventy people, both from our town and other congregations, in church. The lessons were read by the Rev. H. Trawny, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Services will be held each Thursday evening during the period of national emergency.

The 30th Festival of the dedication of St. John's Church was observed during the week—June 21st-25th. On the day of Dedication Holy Communion was celebrated at ten o'clock and Festal Evensong



St. John's, Onoway

sung at eight. For the latter service we had hoped to have the Rural Dean as the preacher, but floods between Edson and Onoway prevented it. We were most grateful to the Rev. W. W. Buxton for coming in his place at very short notice.

On Friday evening members of the congregation presented a pageant, entitled "Thirty Years", written by the vicar and depicting incidents in the history of the parish. We were glad to have the Lord Bishop and Archdeacon Tackaberry taking

part.

Services were continued on the Sunday within the Octave, with Sung Eucharist at which the preacher was the Rev. R. S. Faulks, Rector of St. Peter's, Edmonton, and Festal Evensong, Sermon and Te Deum, when the vicar preached. Between the two services a congregational picnic lunch was served.

The Anniversary Thankoffering Fund, opened in connection with the Festival, for the rebuilding of the vicarage, amounts at present to something in

excess of \$130.

ST. JOHN'S, CADOMIN THE REV. T. W. TEAPE

The monthly W.A. meeting was held at Mrs. Miller's, May 12th. There were ten members present and goods for the bazaar were handed out. We also started the Study Book.

Three of the pupils of our Sunday School wrote the G.B.R.E. examination papers. One of these, Winnie Johnson, passed and took ninth place in

the Diocese.

We are indebted to Mr. Rice for building us shelves to hold our hymn books. This makes the back of the church look much neater. Our thanks also go to Mr. Gowers, who constructed a sand table for use in the Sunday School.

The pyramid boxes did not yield as much as in the past, but quite a nice sum was collected for the

China and India Relief Fund.

The rectory is taking shape, slowly. A nice little house of two rooms has been moved to the church property, and we hope to be able to report an addition to these in our next news.

addition to these in our next news.

The June meeting of the W.A., which will be the last meeting for this season, will be held at the

rectory, June 9th.

ST. MARY'S, JASPER THE REV. T. C. B. BOON

Looking back over the church records for the

past month, we note that the Daughters of England were visitors at the evening service on 28th May, as being the nearest Sunday to Empire Day. With the news of Invasion Day came the institution of a short Service of Intercession at 7.30 p.m. every day.

A visit from the Bishop is always an outstanding event in parochial life, and the Confirmation Service on June 14th was a singularly beautiful one, and one was very conscious of the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst. Towards the close of the service the Bishop dedicated a new Altar Book, bound in black morrocco leather, which has been given to the church by one who wishes to remain unknown, in memory of the late Bishop Burgett. The beautiful flowers had been sent by Mrs. Jackman in memory of Pat Langford. After the service there was a social gathering in the parish hall, which proved to be a very pleasant time in spite of the weather. Whilst here the Bishop conferred with the members of the Vicarage Committee, and also inspected the memorial stone on the grave of Bishop Burgett. Owing to the state of the weather and the roads the dedication was postponed.

There was quite a large attendance at the Choral Celebration on 18th June, when the newly-confirmed took their first Communion, and it was distinctly a family service, for the communicants came up for the administration in family groups. Mr. Snape being marooned in Edmonton owing to the weather, Mrs. Heckly kindly took over the organ work for

the day

The W.A. is carrying on with vigour, and has met at the home of Mrs. Skett since these notes last appeared. At a recent meeting of the W.A. \$20.00 was voted to the Jubilee Fund of the Deaconess'

Home in Toronto.

The Vicar will be leaving Jasper on summer vacation on July 10th, and the Services during the next four Sundays will be conducted by the Rev. W. M. Nainby of Holy Trinity, Edmonton. Mr. and Mrs. Nainby and family will be living at the vicarage and we hope that they will receive a

warm welcome in the parish.

Baptisms: Mary Elizabeth Milligan, Robert Milligan, Irene Florence Lowry, Wesley Melvin Hector Knight, Marjorie May Seward, Donna Phyllis Seward, Mary Leona Seward, James Leopold Seward, William Leslie Seward, Frederick Lyle Seward, Donald Albert Seward, Thomas Patrick

Morrow.

Confirmed: Mrs. Louise Greenwood, Mrs. Olive Spencer, Mervin E. Church, John W. Pugh, Arthur C. Spencer, Rosemary Chisholm, Audrey E. Spencer, Bernice D. Thrasher, Lorraine A. Wachter.

Wedding: Alvin Wachter to Iris O'Brien.

# The Rural Deanery of Permilion

LANDONVILLE Mr. L. Garnsworthy

The congregation of St. Mary Magdalene, Landonville, in the Clandonald Mission, were very pleased to have the Rev. F. A. Peake, formerly of this parish and now of Onoway, to conduct evening service for us on May 7th. He informed us that we would have Mr. Lewis Garnsworthy, student of Wycliffe College, Toronto, every Mecond Sunday during the summer months. Mr. Garnsworthy has begun his work among us, with evening services on May 21st and June 4th. The attendance was fair, considering the number of our young folks going to

school, working, or on active duty. One of our young members, Miss Frances Molineaux, graduated the last week in May as a nurse in the Lamont Hospital, winning two gold medals for efficiency, though she has been very ill for some six weeks.

We were pleased to welcome Mrs. Harold Dorey back after her stay in the Royal Alexander Hospital in Edmonton, and sincerely hope she will have better

health now.

Your correspondent received a letter last week from the Rev. Peter Brownlee, chaplain at an R.C.A.F. station at Ucluelet, B.C. He will be remembered as a student minister in this parish some eighteen years ago.

The Landonville W.A. are very glad to see so many younger mothers out to our regular meetings this year. The meetings are held the first Wednesday in each month and all are welcome; the next being at Mrs. Maurice Stanley's home on July 5th. There is much work to be done. The Board Pledges have been paid in full; the annual cleaning of the church is to be done by the W.A. on June 14th, and the date set for varnishing the floor.

Our aim is to make at least one quilt a month. We have made two for raising Red Cross funds—\$20 being contributed during the last drive. One quilt and five yards of towelling were sent to the Diocesan Dorcas Secretary. A large bundle of used clothing was sent to the Greek Relief secretary

in May.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, MANVILLE

The last news sent in was in April, so that we have a few items of interest to report. During the month of May a visit was paid to Soda Lake. Service of Holy Communion were taken at Holy Trinity, Soda Lake and at Willingdon.

The choir from Christ Church took part in the evening service at St. Mary's, Vegreville, on May 7th. The members were afterwards entertained at tea by Mr. and Mrs. H. Taylor, former resident of

Mannville.

Mr. T. M. Bennett, scoutmaster at Vegreville, attended a meeting of Mannville scouts on May 19th and gave the boys a talk on first aid.

The W.A. held a very successful afternoon lawn tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Bennett, June

23rd.

We were pleased to have the members of the Chailey Ladies' Community Club visit Mannville for their regular monthly meeting. This was held June 29th. The Vicar, Mrs. Bell and family, Mrs. Mercer and Mrs. Croft attended an earlier meeting June 7th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sutton.

D-Day intercession services were held at Mannville, Chailey, Innisfree, Stellarville, and Vegreville. We appreciate the fine co-operation of wardens and others in conducting the services outside Mannville. A weekly service is being held on Wednesday

evenings

The Bishop of the Diocese conducted services of Confirmation in St. Mary's, Vegreville, and Christ Church, Mannville, and also visited St. Helen's, Stellarville, June 18th. There were nine candidates

at Vegreville and four at Mannville.

The Vicar preached at a service held in the United Church, Trinity Sunday, at which the members of Mannville and Innisfree Masonic lodges were present. The musical part of the service was led by the joint choirs under the leadership of Mrs. H. Arnold.

#### INNISFREE

The congregation at Innisfree have set up a small committee to look after church interests there.

The members are: Messrs. Sweatman, Daniels, Myhie; the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Sweatman. They have adopted the envelope system.

Among those confirmed on the 18th June were: David Sweatman, Olane Myhu, Alvin Myhu.

#### CHAILEY

A short social meeting of the congregation was held after service on Sunday June 25th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Cornish. This was to say farewell and best wishes to Miss Ailsa Ewers, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ewers, who was leaving to be married in California, U.S.A. Her husband-to-be is a member of the United States Army. A presentation was made on behalf of the people represented in the community, by Miss Kathleen Sutton.

Weddings: May 5th, Christ Church, Mannville, Ida Margaret McLaughlin and Clarence Bruce Cunningham; June 17th, Florence Marion Gilbert and Corporal William Warren Sharp, R.C.A.F.

St. MARY'S, VEGREVILLE St. Mary's Church has taken on a new appearance, painting and repairs having been completed on the exterior. Much credit is due the committee in charge of this work—Messrs. Rogers, Hayter and T. M. Bennett. We hope to be able to proceed with the interior before long.

Confirmed at Vegreville were: Ross Brown, Gordon and Roy Rogers, Jessie Lou and Enid May Brown, Flornie Richards, Dorothy Nesom, Betty

and Francis Hughes.

Funeral: May 31st, from St. Mary's to Riverside Cemetery, Henry Stevens, old time resident and church member, at the age of 75.

HOLY TRINITY, SODA LAKE
Baptism: May 10th, Albert Ralph Jewell, son
of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jewell. Godparents were
Mrs. C. E. F. Wolff, Mr. W. J. Cunningham and
Mr. H. R. Boutillier. The baby's great-grandfather,
Mr. A. M. Boutillier, was present, also his grandfather. Mr. H. R. Boutillier.

father, Mr. H. R. Boutillier.
The Bishop plans to visit Holy Trinity, Friday, July 14th, for Services of Confirmation and Holy

Communion.

# Rural Deanery of **W**ainwright

# ST. THOMAS', WAINWRIGHT THE REV. L. A. BRALANT

On Whitsunday the Sunday School scholars gave flowers for the church in Wainwright. At Battle Heights the Sunday School held before church service is proving its value, and the children show great ability in learning so quickly. Teaching in the Day Schools continues in Wainwright and Sydenham.

St. Thomas' W.A. held a very successful Sale and Tea in May. They were assisted in this by St. Margaret's W.A. from Battle Heights, and the Junior W.A. The Juniors have done well again this year despite depleted numbers. All members entered the Study Book competition. Two girls won prizes; Audrey Adams for candy bag, Eleanor Wear for reading. Congratulations, Juniors!

On Sunday, June 25th, a memorial service for Mervil Lester Mikkelson, private in the R.C.A.S.C., was conducted by the Rector at Irma. Pte. Mikkelson died from wounds received in action, 19th June;



St. Thomas', Wainwright

aged 25 years.

Holy Baptism: May 14th, at St. Mary's Church, Irma, Donald Edward Thurston; May 21st, at St. Thomas' Church, Wainwright, Harold Charles Ludditt, Robert William Cowley.

#### WAINWRIGHT DEANERY W.A. MEETING

This year the annual meeting was held again at Viking. The day opened with Holy Communion in St. Matthew's Church, celebrated by the Rural Dean. The theme of the sermon based upon Colossians 1: 10 was "Altogether, not Almost." After dinner, which was served in the parish hall by the Viking ladies, the annual meeting was held at which Branch representatives gave their reports. Highlight of these was the disclosure by the Edgerton representative that that Branch had gained 10 new members.

Other Branches represented were: Wainwright, Battle Heights and Tofield. Visitors from Edmonton were: Mrs. Tackaberry, Mrs. Cleveley and Mrs. Horne. All gave illuminating and helpful talks on aspects of W.A. work, and the great and challenging need of the Mission Field were brought home to us.

Mrs. Barden (Tofield) was re-elected to the office (Edgerton) was elected as Vice-President, and Miss Baptist (Tofield) continues as Secretary.

HOLY TRINITY, TOFIELD

The Senior W.A. met at the home of Mrs.
Lancaster at Lindbrook, on June 8th, with seven members and four visitors present. Thanks are due Mrs. Gill and Mr. Lancaster who came in from the

country to take us out and back.

Mesdames Barden, Robinson and Miss Leda Baptist went by train to the Deanery W.A. Meeting at Viking, on June 20th. W.A. members were present also from Battle Heights, Wainwright and Edgerton. Edmonton was represented by Mrs. Tackaberry, Mrs. Cleveley and Mrs. Horne. It was an interesting and enjoyable day and thanks are due the Viking ladies for preparing such a lovely luncheon. We missed our friends from Irma, Rodino and other country points, who were unable to attend because of the bad roads.

# Rural Beanery of Wetaskiwin

#### ST. DUNSTAN'S, BITTERN LAKE

THE REV. A. WALLIS
Our Rector and Mrs. Wallis will be leaving fro a month's vacation early in July and we wish them a pleasant beneficial holiday. During their

absence services will be conducted by Mr. J. G.

Baker, lay reader.

The many friends of Pte. Robert Ochaner were very sorry to hear that he is reported missing, and hope that better news will follow shortly. sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Ochaner during this anxious time, and also to his young bride in England.

A special service was held at 9 p.m. the evening of the invasion, when quite a number were present to pray for those engaged in the great conflict.

Sunday School has been discontinued for July and August. Attendance throughout the past year has been quite good and the interest keen, making the Sunday School hour a very happy one for both pupils and teachers.

Holy Matrimony: Dorothy Evelyn Roper and Duncan Gilbert McIntosh, on June 10th, 1944.

CAMROSE

THE REV. A. WALLIS Sunday School: Saturday, 24th June—This was the day of our Sunday School picnic. We hiked to a delightful spot hardly out of town—hills and vales in miniature, meadows of waving grass and wild flowers and some gooseberry bushes proved ample fun for our young folk. Those of us who are more ancient, watched an exciting ball game, and provided the shouting, especially when the rector made a run! Quite early in the afternoon a ripple went around: "when do we eat"—the essence of a picnic. The chocolate milk tasted awfully good, in fact we had a very happy time. There was races, too, we had almost forgotten to mention them. We all ran in a race, but the "tinies" received the most attention.

Congratulations to those young people who passed the G.B.R.E. exams., especially Murrell-Wright who tied for fourth place.

W.A.: The W.A. and Groups had a most successful tea and sale of home cooking and fancy work on Friday, June 2nd. Many people came, and chatted happily over their tea. The A.Y.P.A. doll with her cradle and wardrobe went to an old gentleman with a little granddaughter, and we were glad.

There are many anxious hearts. We think especially of those in our own parish, who are waiting for further news regarding their sons. "The Holy Spirit is to you and me a Strengthener."

We can remember you in our prayers.

A few members of the Eastern Star Lodge were present at our Sunday Service recently. The Rev. A. Wallis is their Chaplain, and the officers and members of this Order had presented him with a beautiful Bible in white leather, which he used for the first time in church.

IMMANUEL, WETASKIWIN
THE REV. W. T. ELKIN
Special intercessions and litany are being held each Wednesday evening in the church and there is a celebration of Holy Communion every Thurs-

day morning at nine-thirty.

A young people's party is being arranged for June 7th, in the parish hall, when it is hoped a Junior A.Y.P.A. may be organized.

Four young men have been welcomed to the choir, three of them former choir boys. They are: "Mac" French, Frank Blackwell, Joe Nailor and Ronald Jones.

The Evening Group of the W.A. will hold

a lilac tea at the rectory on Wednesday afternoon, June 7th. This is the first effort the younger women have made to raise funds and they are leaving nothing undone to make the event a success. They regret the temporary removal of their president, Mrs. "Pat" MacFarland, who leaves soon with her little family to join her husband, who is an R.C.A.F. instructor in Eastern Canada.

Arrangements are made to hold the Deanery Meeting in the parish hall, on Friday, June 16th, when it is hoped every parish may be represented.

The baptism took place in the church on Sunday, May 28th, of William Bradley, infant son of Joseph and Muriel Blocksidge.

ST. MARY'S, PONOKA THE REV. W. T. ELKIN

Our Special Intercession Service fell on D-Day. Many found time to join with us in that service, as well as the one on the following Sunday. Please continue to come and pray for the safety of our boys and an early victory for the Allies.

Prayers were offered for a speedy recovery of Kenneth Scott and F. Ferguson, who were recently

wounded in Italy.

The Sunday School teachers were well pleased with the examination results of their pupils. Congratulations to Eleanor Stretch and Lynette Christopher. Teachers and pupils are looking forward to the annual picnic and hay-ride which will take place very soon.

The W.A. meeting on June 6th was opened with a Special Intercession Service, by Mr. Elkin. Following this Mrs. Peacock gave the missionary paper and prayer. Final plans were made for the Deanery Meeting. Mrs. Stretch was named convenor of the Deanery tea. Money was voted to help pay for the tables and chairs for the Beginners'

It was decided to discontinue the Sewing Club for the summer months. Everyone felt that their gardens would occupy their attentions until fall.

Twelve boxes were packed for the Community War Chest. These boxes will be sent to some Ponoka boys overseas.

The Confirmation Class have had their last lesson and are ready for the service on Sunday.

Robert F. Somahor to Dorothy Marriage: Mabel Paterson, on June 17th.

ST. PAUL'S. LEDUC THE REV. W. T. ELKIN Our W.A. had a visit from the Rev. W. T. Elkin at the June meeting. He talked on the subject of summer camps at Kapasiwin. The immediate result was that some expressed a wish to attend the adult summer school, and a sum of money was voted for the formation of a bursary to aid in sending children of our Sunday School to the boys' and girls' camps. The Sunday School offered a contribution to this fund, and we hope to add to it from time to time, so that no children need be hindered from attending these camps.

A warm welcome to our parish is being extended to Mrs. Armstrong, Lorraine and Glen, who have lately come to us from Winfield, where all three have been most active. We look forward to their friendship and help in school and W.A.

# THE WOMEN'S PAGE

by Edith Peace

#### **INVASION**

How quickly we can pass through a crisis and then almost forget about it again! I am thinking of the great excitement which greeted the news of the opening of the second front in Normandy, and the way in which thousands crowded the churches on the Tuesday. Everyone felt they had to go to church and pray for the success of the invasion. By Thursday of the same week we were back again on the old level, and it seemed to me that there was only the usual congregation on the following Sunday. Of course we cannot always be living in the tense attitude of a crisis, but I feel that so much of what we call "religion" is little more than a selfish clamouring for safety and success. Much as I like to see everyone turning to God in times of national emergency, I feel that their prayers would be more honest if they came a little oftener when there wasn't any emergency. There is not much real religion about turning to God only when we want something in a hurry, and, for once, are conscious of our own helplessness. There was all the clamour for prayers for the success of the invasion. No one seems to think it necessary to have public thanksgiving services for the success for which we prayed.

#### "IN" CAMP

The following poem was sent in to the "Church Messenger" and given to me. It is by a friend at Irma, who has experienced the inspiration of a beautiful June morning.

"I went to service, Sunday,
Beneath the maple trees;
The sweetest prayer was offered
By gently swaying breeze;
Sweet throated carolers of God
The choral service rendered,
Earth, sky, and air and sunshine
Inspiring sermon tendered;
And all my soul responded
To the universal call—
Divine, uplifting, broadening,
That satisfies us all."
—NANCY O. PARKE.

#### TURPENTINE TIPS

I came across a few hints about the use of turpentine, which I feel may be a help to some of you, as they are to me. I like to keep a scrap-book of helpful home hints, and would appreciate receiving any which you have found to be worthwhile.

Equal parts of turpentine and olive oil (if you can get it) will remove traces of scratches on furniture, if left to soak in for several hours, and then rubbed off with a soft cloth.

Upholstered furniture or carpets in which moths are suspected should be wiped over with a cloth wrung out of water and turpentine.

Turpentine removes paint from clothes, but it should be used with care, rubbing the stain from the outer edge inwards. Also it can be used for whitening clothes, if added in a small quantity to the washing water.

When household furniture has been painted, the amateur painter should soak the brushes in turpentine, to remove the paint, and then allow them to dry before storing. A good way to clean a paint brush that has become hardened with paint is to boil the brush in vinegar.

#### **SWEEPSTAKES**

A few years ago at our W.A. Annuals we use to hear quite a lot about the evils of lotteries. Most of us had looked on sweepstakes or a lucky draw as being harmless enough, but we all felt that it did not do our Auxiliary any good, and gave a poor name to our Church. It meant quite an effort on the part of some auxiliaries to give up holding an annual draw on a quilt, or a cushion, or a doll, but we did so when we were convinced of the evils of sweepstakes.

Lately there has been a revival of public lotteries, and one is always being asked to buy tickets for a chance on a bungalow here, or in Calgary. How these lotteries get by the law of the land, I do not know, but it seems as though anything can be done under the excuse of war charities. Many of the officers and members of these organizations which are responsible for lotteries are active church workers, and one wonders if they are making their witness felt as they might. If a thing is wrong for the W.A., I believe it is likely to be just as wrong for other women's organizations and we should say so at our meetings. Recently I was invited to a public tea by one of our church women who belongs to a women's club auxiliary to the armed forces, and the tea was being held on a Sunday afternoon. When our own Church members sponsor public teas on Sundays, whatever the auspices, I think they are setting a poor example. By all means let us take an active part in every worthy cause, but let us hold fast to our principles and beliefs.

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